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Applicant(s) : BIANCHI, et al.  
U.S. Serial No.: 10/519,427  
Filed : December 22, 2004  
For : USE OF HMGB1 IN THE TREATMENT OF TISSUE  
DAMAGE AND/OR TO PROMOTE TISSUE REPAIR

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Sir/Madam:

COMMUNICATION TO SUBMIT ORIGINAL DECLARATION & POWER OF ATTORNEY

This Communication is being filed, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.497(a), to submit the original Declaration & Power of Attorney, duly executed by the inventors of the above-identified application. A copy of the original Declaration & Power of Attorney is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** (4 pages). 37 CFR 1.492(e) states that a surcharge is required for the filing of the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date. Applicants' earliest claimed priority date is July 3, 2002, with the 30-month period expiring on January 3, 2005. Accordingly, Applicants hereby enclose a check in the amount of ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY DOLLARS (\$130.00) to cover the above-mentioned surcharge.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of the subject application, Applicants' undersigned

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attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY DOLLARS (\$130.00), is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1891. Conversely, authorization is also hereby given to credit the amount of any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1891.

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